

**Resolution authorizing a contract with Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. (CNHC) to provide prenatal/perinatal services and general obstetrical care to pregnant women in Franklin County
(Community Partnerships) (\$830,000)**

WHEREAS, Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. (CNHC) is a federally qualified health center (FQHC), as defined by Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act and administered by the Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, whose purpose is to provide primary health care and related services to the individuals residing in medically underserved areas; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County's preterm birth rate of 13 percent is almost double the U.S. public health goal of 6.9 percent and higher than Ohio overall, making premature births one of the most serious health care challenges our county is facing; and

WHEREAS, CNHC provides access to quality health care to the uninsured/underinsured individuals and families in Franklin County with special emphasis on critical women's health services designed to help prevent pre-term births and thereby reduce infant mortality; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wish to support the CNHC and do so by entering into this agreement as authorized by Sec. 307.85 of the Ohio Revised Code; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

1. That the attached purchase order, individually described on the accompanying Purchase Order Proof List, and the attached contract between Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. and the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the period of June 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$830,000, are hereby approved.

Prepared by Kate Matheny

cc: Auditor

Columbus Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.